12. Case FIR No. 23 dt. 18.2.1988 U/s 302/148/149 IPC, 3/4 TADA (Prevention) Act, and 25 Arms Act, PS Raikot, Distt. Jagraon (Punjab).

13. Case FIR No. 27, dt. 19.3.1988 U/s 302/307/34 IPC 25/27 Arms Act, 3/4 TADA (Prevention) Act, PS Raikot, Distt. Jagraon (Punjab).

14. CBI Case No. RC 5(S)/92-SIU-V U/S 120 B r/w Section 365 IPC and U/s 3(3) TADA (Prevention) Act 1987 and U/s 25 Arms Act, 59.

15. Case FIR No 403, dt. 12.9.95 of Hare Street Police Station, Calcutta, U/s 467/468/471/420/120 B, IPC.

Fake Shares

2243. SHRI PAWAN DIWAN :
SHRI RAM TAHAL CHOUDHARY :

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have registered any case of fake shares during the last two years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the companies to which these shares relate to?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) to (c). The registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crime is primarily the responsibility of the State Governments. The Central Government does not compile statistics relating to registration of cases pertaining to fake shares.

Reservation for Other Backward Classes

2244. SHRI HARIVANSH SAHAI :
SHRI SUKH LAL KUSHWAHA :

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of reserved posts for 'Other Backward Classes' lying vacant in the Indian Railways' category wise;

(b) whether the Union Government propose to fill up these reserved posts;

(c) if so, the time by which vacancies could be filled up; and

(d) the reasons for keeping these posts vacant so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI SATPAL MAHARAJ) : (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Traitors

2245. SHRI K.D. SULTANPURI : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) the number of accused in the country against whom the cases of treason are pending;

(b) the number of cases in which the proceedings have been started; and

(c) the number of Indian and the foreigners among them?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) to (c). The required information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

[English]

Conference of Chief Ministers

2246. SHRI SANAT KUMAR MANDAL : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether he convened a Conference of the Chief Ministers of States earlier this month;

(b) if so, the various decisions taken at the Conference; and

(c) the follow-up action being taken by the Central Government thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) The Ministry of Rural Areas and Employment had convened a Conference of Chief Ministers on Basic Minimum Services in New Delhi on 4th-5th July, 1996.

(b) 1. The Conference recommended the adoption of the following objectives with an all out effort for their attainment by 2000 AD :

(i) 100% coverage of provision of safe drinking water in rural and urban areas.

(ii) 100% coverage of primary health service facilities in rural and urban areas.

(iii) Universalisation of primary education.

(iv) Provision of Public Housing Assistance to all shelterless poor families.

(v) Extension of Mid-day-Meal programme in primary schools to all rural blocks and urban slums and disadvantaged sections.

(vi) Provision of connectivity to all unconnected villages and habitations.

(vii) Streamlining of the Public Distribution System with focus upon the poor.

2. Within these broad objectives agreed upon between the Centre and the States, the transfer of the Central share of funds be done with flexibilities given to the States in implementation, suiting local conditions and emphasis on involvement of people through elected Panchayats and municipalities.

3. In order to reflect appropriately the national priorities and to concentrate efforts and resources on these priorities, the Conference suggested the streamlining of Centrally Sponsored Schemes.

4. All Centrally Sponsored Schemes relating to the seven Basic Minimum Services should be continued. Within those Basic Minimum Services, an all out effort should be made to secure (a) 100% coverage in provision of safe drinking water in rural and urban areas, (b) 100% coverage of primary health service facilities in rural and urban areas and (c) universalisation of primary education, within the next 2-3 years. However, the States which have achieved satisfactory results in these areas can choose for their priority attention other components of the seven Basic Minimum Services suited to their requirements for full coverage in the next 2-3 years.

5. In the determination of allocation for these Basic Minimum Services by the States and the Centre, the special needs of the States below national average may be taken into consideration

6. The Centrally Sponsored Scheme in the area of urban and rural poverty alleviation and employment, development of desert and drought-prone areas, nutrition, and for the Welfare of SCs/STs/minorities and disabled persons of our society, should be continued as such and States be given greater involvement/freedom in the implementation of these programmes.

7. Provisions available under Centrally Sponsored Schemes other than those mentioned at S.No. 4 and 6 above, should be pooled and basic State entitlement ratios should be worked out on the basis of allocations made to the States in 1995-96. The States should be free to select for implementation, from the list of these Centrally Sponsored Schemes circulated by the Centre, suiting their needs for using their annual entitlement.

8. The States annual entitlement under all Centrally Sponsored Schemes should be increased by 15-20% every year.

9. The Department of Programme Implementation in the Union Ministry of Planning and Programme Implementation would work out the details of these revisions in the guidelines and procedures in consultation with the relevant Central Ministries and a group of Chief Ministers. This exercise may be completed within the one month so that the revisions and changes would be available during this year itself.

10. The Conference recommended regular Central and State joint monitoring and reviews of these programmes.

(c) The concerned Ministries/Department in the Government of India and all the State/UT Governments have been requested to process these recommendations expeditiously. The State/UT Governments have also been requested to identify a nodal Department for processing these recommendations so that the Department of Programme Implementation in the Union Ministry of Planning and Programme Implementation could correspond with them.

Land Scam

2247. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news item captioned, 'Officer in land scam bailed out', appearing in the Pioneer, New Delhi July 15, and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) Yes, Sir

(b) The news item relates to action against two IAS Officers who were posted in the Union Territory of Daman and Diu earlier.

Election in Jammu and Kashmir

2248. DR. Y.S. RAJASEKHARA REDDY : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether at all party meetings convened recently by the Prime Minister, it was unanimously decided that the assembly elections in Jammu and Kashmir should be completed in September this year;

(b) whether the representatives of the State Government/Parties were consulted before arriving at the said conclusion; and

(c) the reaction of the Jammu and Kashmir Government and election commission to the unanimous recommendations of all parties meeting?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MOHD. MAQBOOL DAR) : (a) to (c). An all party meeting was taken by the Prime Minister